



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

COMMISSION FOR ARTS AND CULTURE

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MAYOR ANNOUNCES NOMINATIONS FOR COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENTS

San Diego, CA - On Tuesday, February 28, 2006 the San Diego City Council approved Mayor Jerry Sanders appointments and reappointments to the City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture.

In a memo to the City Council Mayor Sanders wrote, "It is with great pleasure that I place the names of the following individuals into nomination for service to the Commission for Arts and Culture. Each of these candidates for appointment or reappointment embodies the experience or subject matter expertise necessary to advance the work of the City of San Diego. I seek your support for these individuals appointment and of their willingness to serve:"

Judy McDonald active in the philanthropic and non-profit community is a new appointment. McDonald is on the boards of the Parker Foundation, San Diego Grantmakers and NTC Foundation and is a past board member of LEAD San Diego, Junior League and Citizen's Board for Desegregating Schools. She was also Chair of the Performing Arts and League and is a leader in the San Diego Arts Education Partnership of the San Diego Unified School District and Commission for Arts and Culture. She resides in District 3.

Garet Clark,, a banker in San Diego from 1962 until 2000, was a Senior Vice President with Union Bank of California and Region President of Northern Trust Bank. Previous and current community engagements include Rotary Club, YMCA, Scripps Clinic, Mercy Hospital and La Jolla Country Day School. He served for eight months as Interim Managing Director for the Old Globe Theatre and is a past Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee as well as a current Director Emeritus for the Globe. Garet has served on the Commission for Arts and Culture's Organizational Support Program review panel for the past three years. Clark resides in District 2 and is a new appointee.

Thomas A. DiZinno, also a new appointee, was with Phillips Ramsey Advertising for nine years and DiZinno Thompson Marketing for eighteen years. He has served on the boards of the San Diego Opera, KPBS Marketing Committee, Chamber of Commerce Marketing Committee and ConVis Board of Directors. He is also the past Chair of the Advertising Club of San Diego and past Vice-President of Mutual Advertising Agency Network. DiZinno was an originator of the San Diego Art + Sol cultural tourism concept and cooperative marketing program and has facilitated strategic sessions on cultural tourism development. He resides in District 2.

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Victoria Reed, has a Ph.D. in Art History, UCLA, 1998 and M.A. Art History, Arizona State University, 1987. She has been an art critic/writer for over twenty years publishing in Artweek, San Diego Tribune, San Diego edition of the Los Angeles Times, Scottsdale Daily Progress and other publications. She served on the Commission for Arts and Culture's Public Art Committee for four years, on its Organizational Support Program review panel for three years and on various Commission artist selection panels. A new appointee, Victoria lives in District 1.

Colette Carson-Royston, also a new appointment, has over 25 years experience in cancer research, education and clinical practice. She is actively involved with The San Diego Foundation as Immediate Past Chair. She is a member of many Foundation committees including the Arts and Culture Working Group and Community Partnerships. She is also a founding member of the San Diego Women's Foundation and is a current board member for the Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego and San Diego Opera. She has served on the Commission for Arts and Culture's Public Art Master Plan and Advocacy Committees. She lives in District 1.

Additionally, Claire Anderson, Courtney Ann Coyle and Aida Mancillas have been reappointed to the Commission and Dr. Joyce Gattas has been appointed as the Chair of the Commission.

For more information about the Commission for Arts and Culture visit the Commission's website at www.sandiego.gov/arts-culture or call 619-533-3055.

The mission of the City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture is to vitalize the community by integrating arts and culture into community life, supporting the region's cultural assets and showcasing San Diego as an international cultural destination.

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